

# The Friendly Visitor *from* Christ Lutheran Church

1306 Wilcox Street

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December 2022

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## December @ Christ

- **1** Chancel Choir practice at 6:30pm
- **3** CLCW Annual Christmas Sale from 9am - 3pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- **4** Worship with Holy Communion at 9am; Faith Formation at 10:15am;
- **5** Worship with Holy Communion at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall
- **6** Executive Committee Meeting at 6:30pm
- **7** The SPOT from 3:30pm to 5:30pm; CLC FoodShelf from 5pm to 6pm; Wednesday's Table from 5pm to 6pm; CIA from 5:30pm to 6:15pm; 6ths Only from 6:15pm to 7pm; Christ Time from 6:15pm to 7pm; High School Youth from 6:15pm to 7pm.
- **8** Chancel Choir practice at 6:30pm
- **11** Worship with Holy Communion at 9am; Faith Formation at 10:15am
- **12** Worship with Holy Communion at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall
- **13** Mission workday at 9am in Fireside Room; All Committee Night beginning at 5:30pm
- **14** The SPOT from 3:30pm to 5:30pm; CLC FoodShelf from 5pm to 6pm; Wednesday's Table from 5pm to 6pm; CIA from 5:30pm to 6:15pm; 6ths Only from 6:15pm to 7pm; Christ Time from 6:15pm to 7pm; High School Youth from 6:15pm to 7pm
- **15** Worship at American Lutheran Home at 1:30pm; Chancel Choir practice at 6:30pm
- **18** **Youth Sunday;** Worship with Holy Communion at 9am; Faith Formation at 10:15am
- **19** Worship with Holy Communion at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall
- **21** The SPOT from 3:30pm to 5:30pm; CLC FoodShelf from 5pm to 6pm; Wednesday's Table from 5pm to 6pm; CIA from 5:30pm to 6:15pm; 6ths Only from 6:15pm to 7pm; Christ Time from 6:15pm to 7pm; High School Youth from 6:15pm to 7pm
- **23** Chancel Choir practice at 6:30pm
- **24** **Christmas Eve;** Candlelight service with Holy Communion at 3pm and 5pm
- **25** **Christmas Day;** No worship service
- **26** **Office Closed;** No worship service.
- **28** CLC FoodShelf from 5pm - 6pm; Wednesday's Table in the Fellowship Hall from 5pm - 6pm

**THERE IS A MITTEN TREE** in the narthex, waiting to be adorned with mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves. Gently used sweaters and sweat-shirts would also be welcomed. Please have items at the church by Sunday, December 25. Thanks for helping our "neighbors" stay warm this winter!

## Scripture Readings for December

Dec 4	Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12
Dec 11	Isaiah 35:1-10 Psalm 146:5-10 James 5:7-10 Matthew 11:2-11
Dec 18	Isaiah 7:10-16 Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-25
Dec 25	Isaiah 62:6-12 Psalm 97 Titus 3:4-7 Luke 2:1-20



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

All around the world, families have been suffering from compounding crises such as violence, natural disasters, disease and extreme weather. The war in Ukraine has only exacerbated suffering for communities already teetering on the edge of devastation. And it's getting worse. It is a terrible, perfect storm.

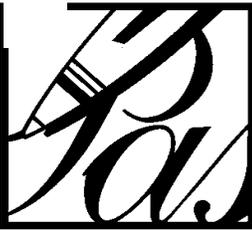
Your congregation's love can be part of the solution for so many families that are suffering.

Thanks to the leading generosity of Nelsonville Lutheran Church in Wisconsin, all congregational gifts given by December 31 through Lutheran World Relief to help those impacted will be doubled - up to \$200,000!

Gifts can be made online at [lwr.org/match](http://lwr.org/match) or by mailing to Lutheran World Relief, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061. Please write "congregational match" in the memo line. Gifts given by your congregation or individual members will be matched until the deadline of December 31.

## Council and Committee Night

All committees will meet individually on Tuesday, December 13, from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Committees and council then meet together in the sanctuary at 6:30pm, and the council meets at 7pm



PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ:  
As we celebrate the birth of Christ this Christmas, let joy be born in our hearts, not just on Christmas day, but throughout the new year; and not just in the new year, but through our whole lives. Let us inspire this world, that can seem so lost in darkness, with the light of Christ, who is the light of our joy. Let us welcome family and friends. Let us welcome strangers and travelers in our midst who may join with us to celebrate Christ born in Bethlehem. Make room in the pews; greet them with a welcoming smile and gracious hospitality, those who like Mary and Joseph, are seeking room in the Inn. Let us not send them away like the innkeeper that first Christmas to be born in a manger like the baby Jesus.

I want to express my sincere thanks to all of you have been faithful members of Christ Lutheran even through the tough times. It is with humble joy that I serve as your Interim Pastor. Thank you for all your support and prayers. Thank you for your support of the ministries of this community of faith. Let us continue to show our gratefulness to God – giving thanks for the abundance God offers to us – especially for the birth of his Son.

*But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a*

*Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!'*  
Luke 2:10-14

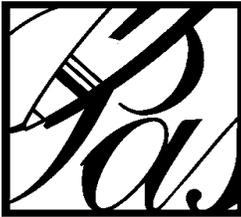
May God bless you this Christmas. May all the darkness of your life be removed by the light of Christ. May you find joy in all your holiday gatherings. May the peace of Christ be with you always.

- Pastor Cheryl L. Matthews



### **Help bring Christmas cheer to our neighbors at ALH!**

This year again we are asking for monetary donations. Deb (ALH Activity Director) will do the Christmas shopping so that every resident has a present to open on Christmas morning. Please send or drop off your monetary donations no later than December 11 at the church, making checks payable to the church and indicating that the donation is for ALH gifts.



**PASTOR**

Many have asked about my recent Civil Rights Pilgrimage. To illustrate some of my experiences on the journey, I will share some of the Haiku poems I wrote along the way.

*Traveling Colleagues  
People of White Privilege  
Civil Rights Journey*

There were twelve of us that made our way together – some clergy, others lay leaders in their congregations, four men and eight women. These people became my friends and fellow learners. Together we walked, listened, asked questions, shed tears, and often felt overwhelmed.

*My mind is too full!  
Slavery, Segregation,  
Lynchings, Hate, Jim Crow.*

In the church where Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. preached, we all took turns in the pulpit, reading quotes from Civil Rights leaders. I sang “This Little Light of Mine” with our guide. And then we held hands and sang “We Shall Overcome.”

*“We shall overcome.”  
Singing together, arms crossed.  
Holding hands, hearts full.*

We came to know of the Reverend Fred Shuttlesworth, pastor of the 16<sup>th</sup> Bethel Baptist Church in Birmingham, who was a fearless leader in the movement and who survived a bombing of his parsonage.

*Fearless black leader.  
“The wild man of Birmingham.”  
Reckless Shuttlesworth.  
A Christmas bombing.  
The Shuttlesworth parsonage.  
Everyone survives.  
“Get out of town now!”  
“I wasn’t saved to run!”  
Fred Shuttlesworth stays.*

One of the most memorable experiences was visiting the Legacy Museum in Montgomery, Alabama. The displays, videos, sculptures, and pictures depict the story of slavery to mass incarceration. I recall sitting in one of the theaters watching a video about families returning to lynching sites of their ancestors to collect dirt for the Legacy Museum. I was the only white person in the audience. Believe me, I felt quite alone. The most disturbing display was that of the ocean bottom filled with sculptures of slaves who had lost their lives in ships that had sunk on their way to the United States.

*Me, a white woman,  
Watching a story of lynching,  
beside black people.  
On the ocean floor,  
their faces frozen in pain,  
the seabed their grave.*

We visited the Rosa Parks Museum and learned more of this courageous woman who refused to give up her seat to a white man on a Montgomery bus.

*Rosa Parks said, “No.”  
Refused to surrender her seat.  
Bus boycott began,*

Finally, we enjoyed food and hospitality southern style. One server was especially memorable to me, asking us several times if we were happy with are food, if we had all we needed.

*Fast food, southern style.  
“Ya’ll have everything ya need?”  
Fried chicken and grace.*

I am so grateful I had the opportunity to take this amazing pilgrimage. I am still processing all that I learned and will be for some time. One final Haiku summarizes what I firmly believe to be true after this experience.

*America’s soul  
Cries out for redemption from  
Racism’s havoc.*

# “From Worry to Wonder”

## A Christmas Message from Bishop Laurie

On June 19, 2020 our granddaughter was born. She was born three months into the pandemic. Her parents were worried. Her grandparents were worried. It is challenging enough to be pregnant and give birth in the best of times but to give birth in the middle of a worldwide pandemic is an even greater worry. We worried about the unknown dangers this virus might present to the mother, the unborn baby, and the new born baby. Our worries kept us up at night. Our worries were relieved when she was finally born, perfect in every way. Our worry gave way to wonder-filled joy. Worry transformed to wonder as we looked back to see how God was holding and carrying them through the unavoidable worry. Our worry transformed to gratitude and wonder watching for what God would be up to next in her tiny life.

It's December 2022. We prepare to celebrate the birth our Lord Jesus. This Advent we come with our fears and worries too. We are living in the midst of challenging times in our country. The very foundation of our nation seems less stable. We each come with our own personal set of worries and fears about our families, health, finances, work, safety, the future...What is it that keeps you up at night? What are you worried about today?

Folks across our church are experiencing doubts and uneasiness about the future of their church. Does it keep you up at night? What are the threats to your church's future? How can the conversation move from fear and worry to wonder? As the miracle of Christ's birth is celebrated this season, we can move from worry to wonder. We wonder what God is up to now in this day and age. Together we wonder what God's will is for the future of our church. Together we wonder; how can we use the abundance and blessings, (what we do have and opportunities in front of us), to make a difference in Jesus' name.

*Now in that same region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. Luke 2:8-10a*

Shepherds living in the fields watched over their sheep to keep them safe. There were dangers that kept the shepherds up at night and plenty of things for the shepherd's to worry about in the cold night like wild animals, predators, thieves, & bad weather. There was so much to worry about, but one night an angel of the Lord, all shiny and bright appeared and transformed their fears and worldly worry to divine wonder.

*To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" Luke 2:11-14*

Friends, you are precious, beloved, baptized children of God. We know that the antidote to worry is to trust in God.

During this Advent, Christmas and Epiphany season I pray that your worries will be transformed to wonder at what God **is** doing and promises **to** do in your lives and in our churches. May the miracle of Christ's birth transform your worries to wonder! I am grateful for your partnership in ministry.

Peace be with you,

*Rev. Laurie M. Olson*

**Christ Lutheran Church Council  
Minutes  
October 11, 7:00pm  
Fellowship Hall**

Members Present

Dick Tyson, Tim Lehman, Leslie Falkner, Kaye Wurm, Cathy Zunker, Joe Wurm, Curt Larson, Heidi Bradshaw, Vicki Kuester, Beth Hein, and Pastor Cheryl Matthews (ex-officio).

Call to Order

Council President Beth Hein called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.at the Church. Vision Statement read by Dick Tyson  
Mission Statement read by all  
Council Purpose read by all.

Approval of Agenda

*[10-1] A motion was made and seconded to approve a revised agenda; TLehman/HBradshaw; motion carried. Discussion to add Action Items: Eagle Scout and Scout Days; LFalkner/DTyson; motion carried*

Dwelling in the Word

Pastor Cheryl Matthews led us in a Word/Meditation Gospel, Luke 18: 1-8

Approval of August and September 2022, Council

Minutes

*[10-2] A motion was made and seconded to approve August TLehman/DTyson and September meeting minutes; KWurm/TLehman motion carried.*

New Business

1. Action: Church Membership: no action needed for October
2. Discussion: Covid Protocols- post pandemic

Sharing of Peace at own discretion; be respectful of your neighbors

3. Discussion: Fall Congregation Meeting October 23rd

Content needed: Pastor Cheryl doing opening devotion; Ministries to support for 2023; Budget; time and talent form; PowerPoint; share Wordl from surveys; call process, elect Council members (6); also, 'our ministry is outside of our walls  
Bylaw update

Recommendations;

4. Discussion: Finalize Bylaw Recommendations

5. Action: Scout use of the Sanctuary Calendar Days for the Court of Honor on 12-05-22,02-13-23,05-15-23,08-07-23

*[10-3] A motion was made and seconded to approve the Scout Calendar days use of the*

*Sanctuary for the Court of Honor with fees waived; TLehman/ KWurm motion carried.*

6. Action: Eagle Scout Court of Honor use of the Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, and Kitchen on 12/10/22 for

Nick Madsen and Sam Wurm *[10-4] A motion was made and seconded to approve the Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Nick Madsen and Sam Wurm use of Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, and Kitchen on 12/10/22; HBradshaw/VKuester; motion carried.*

Old Business - no action needed for October

Reports

A. Pastor's Report- See Written Report

B. Committee Reports/ Actions/Financial Report From the Administration committee:

A Action: Renaming Roof fund; no action needed. Keep Property Management fund for any improvements.

B Discussion: Suggestion: 8 foot fence for East door entrance; More

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**Council Directory**

- Heidi Bradshaw (Congregational Life)
- Leslie Falkner (Congregational Life)
- Beth Hein (Council President)
- Vickie Kuester (Outreach Committee)
- Curt Larson (Outreach Committee)
- Tim Lehmann (Administration Committee)
- Pastor Cheryl Matthews
- Dick Tyson (Outreach Committee)
- Joe Wurm (Administration Committee)
- Kaye Wurm (Council Vice President)
- Cathy Zunker (Council Secretary)

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Information needed for a 8 foot fence to place by door to protect Entrance from leaves and snow.

C.) Action: Take down the climbing play tower on the playground/unsafe conditions and replace the liability sign on the fence for insurance.

[10-5] A motion was made and seconded to remove the play climbing tower and replace the sign on the fence for liability insurance; KWurm/CZunker; motion carried.

Other (time remaining)

Adjournment

[10-6] A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting; KWurm/DTyson; motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:47pm and closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Cathy Zunker, Secretary

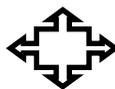
**Memorials/Honoraria**

For undesignated in memory of Kay Brummeyer:

11/20 - from John Alexander (J A Electric)

**LIGHT THE ADVENT TREE!**

The tree in the narthex will only glow with your help! You can purchase a lightbulb in someone's honor (red) or memory (white) that will be placed into the bare light string. Each light bulb will cost \$5, and all proceeds will help with the church's Xcel Energy bills during the heating season.



**Thank You from the Red Cross**

"Thank you again for hosting the October blood drive. We collected 37 pints of blood!

The staff said it was a very good day and were extremely grateful for your volunteers."

**The next Blood Drive will be February 9, 2023.**

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All offerings to the church to be recorded as 2022 contributions need to be received in the church office no later than 9am on Tuesday, December 27.

**CLCW News**

**Dates to remember**

Dec 3: CHRISTMAS SALE 9-3 in the Fellowship Hall

Dec 13: Workday at 9am

Nancy Bourget and Arla Graff  
CLCW Co-President

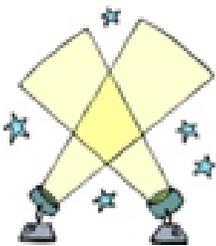
**A HUGE THANK YOU** to

all who helped with the Lutheran World Relief drive this year. Whether you donated supplies or funds; sewed quilts; assembled school kits, layettes or sewing kits or packed boxes your work is truly appreciated. There were 69 quilts, 87 layettes, 69 school kits and 4 sewing kits that were sent to Lutheran World Relief on October 15. They will be sent to various places around the world to help those in need. This could not have been done without your help.

## UPDATE YOUR PERSONAL INFO

If you are currently receiving offering envelopes mailed to you, but do not need them anymore (paying online etc); if you would like to receive offering envelopes and are not currently receiving them; if your address or phone number has changed or you discontinued your landline, please let the church office know so we may update our records. Thank you!

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## Financial Spotlight

This month's spotlight is about light and warmth.

First is the Mitten Tree which can be "decorated" with mittens, gloves, hats and scarves that will be given to local people who need them as the weather gets colder.

Second is the Advent Tree. Bulbs may be purchased in honor (red) or memory (white) of a loved one for \$5.00 each. All money raised will be used for the church's Xcel Energy bills this winter.



## Prayer Ventures for December

### 1 *World AIDS Day*

Today we join our neighbors, siblings in Christ and companion churches around the world in remembering all who have been and

continue to be affected by HIV and AIDS. Give thanks for the progress we have made in effective prevention, treatment and care and in discouraging discrimination against those who are HIV-positive; pray that we will not grow complacent but continue to make progress; and give thanks for the ongoing work of the ELCA's HIV and AIDS ministry.

2 Give thanks for our faith, which embodies hope and anticipation as well as confidence and joy in God's promises and grace, which were fulfilled in Jesus Christ.

### 3 *International Day of Persons with Disabilities*

Pray for our neighbors here and around the world who live with disabilities, that they might be welcomed, respected, valued and fully included in every aspect of the church and society. Give thanks for the wide-ranging work of ELCA Disability Ministry, Lutheran Services in America—Disability Network and other ministry partners.

4 Pray that, like John the Baptist, we will share the good news of Jesus and the love of God with boldness and humility and will invite all people to believe and be baptized into a new life in Christ, free from the confines of sin, despair and death.

5 Give thanks for the ELCA's Good Gifts catalog, which lifts up the diverse needs of our neighbors and offers opportunities to respond with gifts that grow the church, fight hunger and transform lives around the world — from honeybees and irrigation systems to trauma counseling and vocational training for entrepreneurs.

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**6** “Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God” (Romans 15:7). Pray that the Spirit will help us live in unity and celebrate the faith that binds us together as siblings in God’s family; pray that we will invite and welcome people into our communities of faith so that they too might experience the gifts of joy, grace and mutual care as siblings in Christ.

**7** Give thanks and pray for the work and enthusiasm of those applying for ELCA World Hunger Education and Networking Grants, which help congregations and synods build partnerships, provide training and education, plan service learning and host events with people passionate about ending hunger.

**8** Pray for ELCA missionaries serving with our global companions in Africa: the Rev. Elisabeth Johnson and Anne and Willie Langdji (Cameroon); the Rev. Alex LaChapelle (Kenya); the Rev. Janelle Neubauer (Rwanda); and the Rev. Brian Palmer and Rev. Linda Johnson Seyenkulo (Liberia).

**9** Pray that God will work through us to help goodness, honesty, justice, peace, generosity and compassion flourish in the world.

**10** Give thanks for scientists, researchers and teachers of science and math; they help us acquire skills for daily life, explore and better understand creation, expand our appreciation of God’s handiwork, and develop new technologies for the health and well-being of humanity and our environment.

**11** People of faith are not immune to questions or doubts. Give thanks for God’s patience with us and for the Spirit’s work of strengthening our faith, revealing the mysteries and wonder of God’s boundless love for humanity, and helping us understand Scripture and faith in the context of life today.

**12** Pray for farmers and ranchers as they prepare their fields, animals and equipment for winter, and for those planting and harvesting during winter.

Give thanks for their vocation of feeding the world, their care for the environment and their wisdom about seasons and cycles of life.

**13** Pray that, with the use of Advent candles and wreaths, we will embrace faith traditions and practices that center us on God’s grace and forgiveness, received through the gift of Jesus Christ.

**14** “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant” (Luke 1:46-48). Join in the song of Mary and give praise and thanksgiving for God’s love, mercy and attentiveness — blessings experienced from generation to generation.

**15** Ask the Spirit to help us invite and welcome with enthusiasm our neighbors and surrounding community to join in our congregational activities, celebrations and worship during Advent and Christmas, and throughout the year.

**16** *Las Posadas* This tradition, popular in Mexico and observed by some ELCA congregations, uses lighted paths and processions from house to house to follow Mary and Joseph’s journey through Bethlehem in search of lodging. Pray that our recollection of Mary and Joseph’s experience will prompt us to welcome strangers, immigrants, refugees and neighbors in need.

**17** Pray for those who suffer depression, loneliness and anxiety, especially during the holidays. Ask God to help us be attentive to people around us who are struggling, that they might find understanding, hope, support, inclusion and caring companions in our communities of faith.

**18** *International Migrants Day* Pray that we will support and accompany migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers in their difficult pursuit of safety, justice, self-sufficiency and family stability.

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**19** Remember in prayer ELCA Global Mission personnel and missionaries who are celebrating Advent and the birth of Christ in the communities and congregations of our global companions around the world.

**20** Remember those who are alone during this time of community celebrations, meals and worship, including refugees, immigrants, and those who are imprisoned, confined to home or an institution, without family, or separated from family and community by work or deployment.

**21** *Winter solstice* Reflect on the intricacies of the universe that govern the movement of our solar system, the changing seasons and how people experience seasons in different hemispheres of the world. Praise God for a life-sustaining creation that inspires awe, curiosity and humility!

**22** “Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved” (Psalm 80:3). Give thanks for God’s mercy and favor, which grant us new life and hope — not because we deserve it or have lived good lives but because God is gracious and generous beyond human comprehension.

**23** Remember those who serve and work in our communities during the holidays. May we assure them of our love, concern and gratitude, and create opportunities to include them in our celebrations and worship, especially when they are unable to be physically present.

**24** *Christmas Eve* Offer prayers of thanksgiving and joy for the gift of Jesus, our Savior, life and hope, who brings light to the darkness, “for he came down from heaven above to help a world in need” (ELW 271).

**25** *Christmas Day* All glory and praise to God — everything we have seen, heard and been taught about Jesus Christ, our hope and salvation, is true. Give thanks that God’s love and mercy, present in the birth of Christ, have shaken the world and awakened our hope.

**26** *Kwanzaa* Today begins Kwanzaa, a weeklong celebration of African culture and traditions that emphasizes family, community and shared principles. Give thanks for the rich and enduring traditions, celebrations and practices of our African American siblings and the global African community.

**27** *John, apostle and evangelist* Give thanks for John and the other disciples, who trusted in and responded to Jesus’ call, leaving behind their previous lives to experience God’s presence and love through Jesus Christ and to do God’s work in the world. Ask the Spirit to guide, inspire and equip us for sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor in a world of constant change and new challenges.

**28** Hope, joy, love and faith are infectious. Pray that the hope and joy stirred by our faith in God’s love and presence in the world will spill over into our personal and professional relationships and our interaction with strangers.

**29** Pray that we will be ever mindful of our baptism, which brings us identity and purpose “through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit” (Titus 3:5). Give thanks that we are equipped, encouraged and sustained by our siblings in Christ throughout our lifelong journey of faith.

**30** The birth of Christ, manifesting God’s love for humanity, changed everything, forever. We celebrate the joy and significance of Christmas and pledge our lives in constant witness to God, who embraces and loves us with all our flaws, complexities and questions.

**31** *New Year’s Eve* What do you hope for in the coming year? What are your aspirations? Give thanks for the assurance we receive through our baptism, that we might live in God’s mercy and grace through the ups and downs of life, and pray that we will be supported during our journey by a vast and caring community of siblings in Christ.

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**Pastoral Ministry**

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation.

Pastor: Cheryl Matthews

Lutheran Campus Ministry Director: Sara Reed ([lcmostoutdirector@gmail.com](mailto:lcmostoutdirector@gmail.com))

Chancel Choir Director/Worship Leader: Brian Klein

Worship/Choir Accompanist: LuAnn Dohms

Alternate Accompanists: Andrew Maki, Mary Merritt

**Youth Ministry**

Youth Director: Josie Wilterdink ([cosmo.clc@gmail.com](mailto:cosmo.clc@gmail.com))

**Sunday School (COSMO)**

Superintendent: Josie Wilterdink ([cosmo.clc@gmail.com](mailto:cosmo.clc@gmail.com))

Accompanist: Mary Merritt

**Maintenance**

Custodian: Tom Surdick

**Missionary Sponsorship**

Patrick & Jackie Bencke, Japan ([jackie@bencke.com](mailto:jackie@bencke.com))

**Food Ministry**

Coordinator: [clc.pantry.table@gmail.com](mailto:clc.pantry.table@gmail.com)

**Office Staff**

Church Secretary Office Hours: Monday through Thursday - 8:30am to 3pm;

Friday—office closed. (Please note the pastor's day off is Friday.)

Secretary: Jillyn Geissler ([The.Office.CLC@gmail.com](mailto:The.Office.CLC@gmail.com))

Treasurer: Dick Rank/Tricia Rank-Larson

**Radio Ministry**

Radio Broadcast on 880 AM Sundays at 9:30am

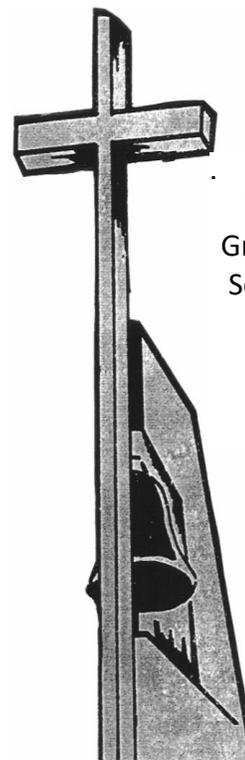
Limited Range (Parking Lot) Frequency on 107.7 FM

**Livestream Ministry**

Audio Visual Specialist: Darrin Falk ([TechUser.CLC@gmail.com](mailto:TechUser.CLC@gmail.com))

**Internet Ministry**

Sunday bulletins, "Friendly Visitor" newsletters, calendar, audio of Sunday services, and much more may be found at [www.Welcome2CLC.com](http://www.Welcome2CLC.com) or at [www.facebook.com/Welcome2CLC](http://www.facebook.com/Welcome2CLC).



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Grow Together,  
Serve Others."

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# December 2022 - Christ Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>4</b> 9:00 AM Worship service (in-person and livestream) 10:15 AM Faith Formation 1:00 PM -5:00 PM Hmong Discipleship (educ wing)	<b>5</b> 5:30 PM Worship with Holy Communion (in Fellowship Hall)  6:45 PM -8:45 PM Scouts (FR)	<b>6</b> 6:30 PM Exec Board	<b>7</b> 3:30 PM THE SPOT 5:00 PM -6:00 PM CLC FoodShelf 5:00 PM -6:00 PM Wednesday's Table 5:30 PM -6:15 PM CIA (youth group) 6:15 PM 8ths Only 6:15 PM Christ Time 6:15 PM -7:00 PM High School Youth	<b>8</b> 6:30 PM Chancel Choir	<b>9</b> 6:30 PM Chancel Choir	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 9:00 AM Worship service (in-person and livestream) 10:15 AM Faith Formation 1:00 PM -5:00 PM Hmong Discipleship (educ wing)	<b>12</b> Poinsettia Orders Due 5:30 PM Worship with Holy Communion (in Fellowship Hall)  6:45 PM -8:45 PM Scouts (FR)	<b>13</b> 9:00 AM Mission Work Day 5:30 PM Admin, Cong Life/Worship, Outreach Cmte's  6:30 PM Cmte's and council meet in sanctuary 7:00 PM Council	<b>14</b> 3:30 PM THE SPOT 5:00 PM -6:00 PM CLC FoodShelf 5:00 PM -6:00 PM Wednesday's Table 5:30 PM -6:15 PM CIA (youth group) 6:15 PM 8ths Only 6:15 PM Christ Time 6:15 PM -7:00 PM High School Youth	<b>15</b> 1:30 PM Worship at American Lutheran Communities  6:30 PM Chancel Choir	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> YOUTH SUNDAY 9:00 AM Worship service (in-person and livestream) 10:15 AM Faith Formation 1:00 PM -5:00 PM Hmong Discipleship (educ wing)	<b>19</b> 5:30 PM Worship with Holy Communion (in Fellowship Hall)  6:45 PM -8:45 PM Scouts (FR)	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 3:30 PM THE SPOT 5:00 PM -6:00 PM CLC FoodShelf 5:00 PM -6:00 PM Wednesday's Table 5:30 PM -6:15 PM CIA (youth group) 6:15 PM 8ths Only 6:15 PM Christ Time 6:15 PM -7:00 PM High School Youth	<b>22</b> 6:30 PM Chancel Choir	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 3:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Holy Communion  5:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Holy Communion
<b>25</b> No Worship Service	<b>26</b> Office Closed No Worship Service	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 5:00 PM -6:00 PM CLC FoodShelf  5:00 PM -6:00 PM Wednesday's Table	<b>29</b> 6:30 PM Chancel Choir	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>